mutators while processing the corresponding thread state for each one of said mutators;

program code in said computer readable medium to permit each one of said mutators to resume unrestricted execution, as soon as said mutator's own corresponding thread state has been processed; and

program code in said computer readable medium to complete the garbage collection cycle by identifying each one of said objects that is currently accessible to at least one of said mutators.

REMARKS

No new matter is presented by the foregoing amendments. Entry and an early allowance is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for the timely consideration of this amendment under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4503, Order No. 3048-7049US1.

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